Amendments to the Claims

The listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application.

1. (Currently amended) A method of reducing the combustion residue of coated, wood-free paper having an ISO brightness of 80% or more and an opacity of 80% or more, wherein said method comprises making said coated, wood-free paper with a coating pigment comprising calcium oxalate, wherein the proportion of calcium oxalate that is in said pigment is between 10% and 100% by weight of said pigment, and wherein said coated, wood-free paper has a reduced combustion residue when compared to that of a coated, wood-free paper that contains containing the same amount of a pigment other than calcium oxalate and wherein said coated, wood-free paper has an ISO brightness of 80% or more and an opacity of 80% or more.

2-3. (Canceled).

4. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 1, wherein said ISO brightness is over 90% and said opacity is over 90%.

5-11. (Canceled)

12. (Currently amended) A method of reducing wear of a coated, wood-free paper-making wire, wherein said method comprises using said wire to make a coated,

wood-free paper and incorporating calcium oxalate into the coating pigment that is used to make said coated, wood-free paper or into a pigment in a coating color used to make [[in]] said coated, wood-free paper, wherein said calcium oxalate comprises 10 to 100% by weight of total pigment in said coating pigment or in said coating color, and using said wire to make said coated, wood-free paper thereby reducing wear of the coated, wood-free paper-making wire as compared to the wear of a paper-making wire that is used to make a coated, wood-free paper that contains a pigment other than said calcium oxalate in said coating pigment or in said pigment in said coating color.

13. (Currently amended) Coated, wood-free paper comprising a pigment comprising calcium oxalate, wherein said coated, wood-free paper has an ISO brightness of over 80% and an opacity of over 80%, and wherein said coated, wood-free paper has a reduced combustion residue when compared to that of a coated, wood-free paper containing the same amount of a pigment other than <u>said</u> calcium <u>oxalate</u>.

14-30. (Canceled)

- 31. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 1, further comprising making said coated, wood-free paper with a filler that comprises calcium oxalate.
- 32. (Previously presented) The method according to claim 12, wherein said coated, wood-free paper comprises a filler that comprises calcium oxalate.

33. (Previously presented) The coated, wood-free paper according to claim 13, further comprising a filler that comprises calcium oxalate.

34. (Canceled)

- 35. (New) The method according to any one of claims 1, 4 and 31, wherein the amount of calcium oxalate is 0.1 to 90% by weight, calculated from a total weight of dry matter of the coated, wood-free paper.
- 36. (New) The method according to any one of claims 1, 4 and 31, wherein said calcium oxalate is a monohydrate that has been ground and over 90% of the particles of said ground calcium oxalate that are used are smaller than 2.3 μ m and only 10% are smaller than 0.5 μ m.
- 37. (New) The method according to any one of claims 1, 4 and 31, wherein said calcium oxalate is calcium oxalate monohydrate.
- 38. (New) The method according to any one of claims 1, 4 and 31, said method further comprising using a second pigment or filler selected from the group consisting of calcium carbonate, calcium sulphate, aluminum silicate, kaolin, aluminum hydroxide, magnesium silicate, talc, titanium dioxide, silica, barium sulphate and combinations thereof.

- 39. (New) The coated, wood-free paper according to claim 13 or 33, wherein said coated, wood-free paper has a maximum combustion residue of 35%, calculated from a total weight of dry matter of the coated, wood-free paper.
- 40. (New) The coated, wood-free paper of claim 13 or 33, wherein said coated, wood-free paper further comprises fillers or coating pigments other than calcium oxalate.
- 41. (New) The coated, wood-free paper according to any of claims 13, 39 and 41, wherein the total content of said calcium oxalate is over 85% of the total weight of the dry matter of said coated, wood-free paper.
- 42. (New) The coated, wood-free paper according to claim 40, wherein a total content of said calcium oxalate is over 85% of a total weight of dry matter of said coated, wood-free paper.